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**“Sharing the good news of forgiveness and eternal life  
through Jesus Christ.”**

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## Silent Preservice Meditation and Prayer

*Blessed Lord, you have caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and the comfort of your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## Music for Reflection Announcements

### 712 Seek Ye First

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
And His righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you!  
Allelu, alleluia!
- 2 Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
Seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,  
Allelu, alleluia!
- 3 Man does not live by bread alone,  
But by ev'ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,  
Allelu, alleluia!

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## Confession and Forgiveness

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Kneel/Stand*

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## **Service of the Word**

**Lord, Have Mercy (Kyrie)**

**LSB 204**

- C** Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

**Gloria in Excelsis**

**LSB 204**

- C** **1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

- 2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—**

- 3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

**Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, without whom nothing is strong and nothing is holy, multiply Your mercy on us that, with You as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

**Old Testament Reading**

**Exodus 35:21-29**

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone whose heart moved him and everyone whose spirit was willing came back and brought offerings to the LORD for the construction of the Tent of Meeting and for all the things to be used in its services and for the holy garments. <sup>22</sup>They came back, both men and women, all those whose hearts were willing. They brought brooches, earrings, signet rings, armllets, and all kinds of gold jewelry. Every person who came presented a wave offering of gold to the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Everyone who had blue, purple, and scarlet material, fine linen, goats' hair, rams' skins dyed red, and hides of sea cows brought them. <sup>24</sup>Everyone who presented an offering of silver and bronze brought it as the LORD's special offering, and everyone who had acacia wood for any use in the project brought it. <sup>25</sup>All the women who were skilled spun thread with their hands and brought what they had spun: the blue, the purple, and the scarlet material and the fine linen. <sup>26</sup>All the women who were willing and skillful spun the goats' hair. <sup>27</sup>The tribal leaders brought the onyx stones and the stones to be

mounted on the vest and the pouch, <sup>28</sup>also the spices, and the olive oil for the Light, for the anointing oil, and for the fragrant incense. <sup>29</sup>The people of Israel brought a voluntary offering to the LORD. Every man and woman whose heart was willing contributed to all the work which the LORD had commanded Moses to do.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### New Testament/Epistle

### *1 Corinthians 12:12-26*

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so also is Christ. <sup>13</sup>For by one Spirit we all were baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free people, and we were all caused to drink one Spirit. <sup>14</sup>Furthermore, the body is not one member, but many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot says, "Because I am not a hand, I am not part of the body," it does not on that account cease to be part of the body. <sup>16</sup>If the ear says, "Because I am not an eye, I am not part of the body," it does not on that account cease to be part of the body. <sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup>But now God has arranged the members in the body, each and every one of them, as he desired. <sup>19</sup>If they were all one member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>But as it is, there are many members, yet one body.

<sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need for you," or again the head to the feet, "I have no need for you." <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are much more necessary. <sup>23</sup>As for the parts of the body we consider less honorable, these we provide with more honor. We treat our unrepresentable parts with more modesty, <sup>24</sup>whereas our presentable parts have no such need. But God put the body together in a way that gave more honor to the parts that lack it. <sup>25</sup>He did it so that there might not be any division in the body, but that the members might all have the same concern for one another. <sup>26</sup>So if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it, or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

**C** **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**C** **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

**C** **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

### Holy Gospel

### *Luke 2:46-52*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us this way? See, your father and I have been anxiously looking for you."

<sup>49</sup>He said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be taking care of my Father's business?" <sup>50</sup>They did not understand what he was telling them.

<sup>51</sup>He went down with them and came to Nazareth. He was always obedient to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup>Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and with people.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

## Message Hymn

### 738 Lord of All Hopefulness

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace:  
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:

Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.  
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## Children's Message

### Message "God's Vision for People in Community"

*Stand*

### Prayers of the Church

**P**. Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*Brief silence*

(Pastor will end each petition with "Lord, in Your mercy."  
We will invite the congregation to respond "hear our prayer.")

### Blessing (Benediction)

**LSB 234**

**P** The grace of our Lord  $\text{✝}$  Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** Amen.

*(Internet livestreaming ends here)*

*Sit*

### Offering

### Service of the Sacrament

*Stand*

### Preface

**LSB 208**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Holy, Holy, Holy (Sanctus)

**LSB 208**

**C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Lord's Prayer

**C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\dagger$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Peace of the Lord (Pax Domini)

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

## Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) *LSB 210*

**C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Sit*

## Receiving the Lord's Supper

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.  
**Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.  
**Amen.**

*In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\dagger$  in peace.  
**C** Amen.

**Song of Simeon (Nunc Dimittis)**

**LSB 211**

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.

**Post-Communion Prayer**

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Blessing (Benedicamus)**

**LSB 212**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Blessing (Benediction)**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**Closing Hymn**

**803 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,  
Praising Thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.
- 2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,



Chanting bird, and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

- △ 3 Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Fountainhead of love divine:  
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!  
Joyful, we by grace are Thine!  
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## Music for Reflection

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### **Communion Practices of this Congregation**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. John's every Sunday in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord Jesus gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. In addition to the members of this congregation, visitors from our sister LCMS congregations and other Lutheran denominations with whom we enjoy altar fellowship are invited to join us at the Lord's Table. For further study, please see Matthew 5:23; 10:32; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Dear Friends,

During the last few years, some of the children in the Bluff neighborhood have attended our Sunday school and other children's programs. Some are very interested in attending worship and have sometimes worshiped beside Dawn at our 9:00 service. While we thank God for those whom we have reached, we recognize that there are so many more children and young people whom God has called us to connect to His Son, Jesus. To that end, Council has approved our offering a Sunday afternoon service (beginning in our parking lot and moving into the Fellowship Hall as Fall approaches) in which the music, message, and prayers are more centered upon the elementary and middle school grades. Grownups are welcome to join them. We will begin with a word puzzle (like Wheel of Fortune) on a sheet of plywood in which the children as a group solve the puzzle in order to discover the Bible story or theme that I will cover in my message. We will have prayers, reading from the Scriptures, and an age-appropriate message (sermon) - and of course, music. During a song just before the message, we will distribute to each child (who will be sitting upon blankets) a paper sack of warm popcorn, snow cone, or other treat. The idea is - instead of asking the children to sit quietly and pay attention to the message - we will give them a snack to assist them in this endeavor. Busy hands and mouths make for listening ears and hearts. We will send them home with a Bible verse that they are asked to share with someone in their household.

This will be considered a second worship service for the congregation, and those who attend will be invited to participate in the full life of St. John's, including the 9 am service. Our hope is that this service will feature some baptisms (upon parent/guardian approval) and that some of the children will begin our Confirmation ministry. The Bluff neighborhood is teeming with children and young people whom God has called the people of St. John's to reach with the saving message of the Gospel. Doing this on our own would be overwhelming, but led and equipped by the Spirit this is very much within our reach. We will need volunteers to assist us in set-up/teardown, passing out snacks, and being a welcoming presence. We envision volunteers serving one Sunday a month on a rotating basis. The services will be held on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 pm and will begin on July 11th.

In Christ Jesus,

Pastor

